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FRICTION-JOINT COMPONENT
MOUNTED ON VEHICLE

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Sir:

In response to the office action mailed 8 February 2005, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

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